The Great Turnaround
Tuesday, March 10, 2015

Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom my soul delights. I have sent my spirit upon him, he will bring fair judgment to the nations.
- Isaiah 42:1

This is the first of Isaiah's "servant songs," foreshadowing Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River. Directly following his baptism, the Spirit sent Jesus into the desert for his own initiation rite (deliberate exile from business as usual, fasting, temptation, and then encounter). From this experience Jesus went into Galilee and proclaimed: "The time has come! The reign of God is here! Turn around and believe the good news!" (Mark 1:15).

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Last Friday we welcomed back our Year Six students and teachers who had an exceptional week while on camp in Waroona at Forest Edge. New friendships are forged, others deepened and challenges embraced. The outcomes from attending camp are evident at a number of levels. Our teachers prepared for camp and ran it so well, and I congratulate and thank Nicole Cloutt, Emily Roche, Jessica Fic, Claire Nunes, Courtney Dunsire, Geordie Thuijs and Mark Ryan for committing to our children to make this such a unique experience.

Thank you to our parents who attended our P&F meeting on Tuesday. We are very grateful to you for your input at these meetings and the decisions you take to support the charter of our P&F – that being, to support the school in its initiatives, to empower parents, and to build community. Certainly that has been evident in spades this term, with funding the installation of new screens to the Year Four classes, hosting the Kindy Parent Morning Tea information sessions, running the Fun Day and hosting Maggie Dent, to name just a few. These are signs of a very healthy P&F.

Best wishes
Mark de Kluyver

PRINCIPAL UPDATE

The School Board is pleased to announce that Mark Ryan, Assistant Principal Administration, will take over the role of Principal for term two while the recruitment process for another Principal takes place during that time. We thank Mark for his preparedness to take over the role, knowing that he has the full support and respect of our community.

Darren Cutri
School Board Chair
Parish Corner

Parish Office:
Our Parish Office is open TUESDAY and FRIDAY 8.30am to 3pm.
If you have any queries please call in and see Marina Hayward.

Weekend Mass:
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8am, 10am and 5pm

Parish Rep Donna Butt

Religious Education

4th Week of Lent – Project Compassion – brings you Sarita’s story

Sarita was struggling to grow enough food for her family on her tiny farm plot. In 2007, with the assistance of a program run by Caritas Nepal, she started a fish-raising business with 11 others. Now, they have a thriving enterprise and a life-long source of food and income.

Mother-of-three Sarita attended school until the eighth grade, making her one of the most educated women in her village. Yet, like the majority of people in rural Nepal, her family was very poor.

In 2007, Sarita’s life changed. Caritas Nepal, supported by Caritas Australia, initiated the Kolkatla Fish Raising Group, an innovative, collaborative program that works for the common good of the wider community. Sarita and 11 other villagers were provided with the funding and training they needed to establish and run a business raising and selling fish.

Through hard work and dedication, the group has flourished. The farm produces around 8,000 kg of fish each year, which the group sells for a good price through local markets.

With steady income from the Fish Raising Group, Sarita’s family has been able to feel secure. They’ve bought additional farming land, diversified their crops and now share a secure, sustainable source of healthy food for life.

Your donation to Caritas Australia’s Project Compassion provides support to programs such as the Kolkatla Fish Raising Group Program. www.caritas.org.au

Mass
On Friday, 20th March we are celebrating a Whole School Mass prepared by Year 3. Families and friends are welcome to attend.

General Sacrament Parent Meeting
Thank you to all the parents who attended the Sacrament meeting this week. It was lovely to see so many of you there as you support your child on their Sacramental journey.

Best Wishes
Courtney Dunsire
Assistant Principal

Mark de Kluvyver's Farewell

We invite all parents to join us to farewell Mr D on Friday 20th March at our final school Mass for the term.
Please join us for a morning tea after Mass to say goodbye and thank you to Mark for 6 amazing years at Mater Christi.

Thank you to our P&F who will be hosting the morning tea in the Community Centre.
TAKE PLACE NEXT TERM

• This interview will also count for those who are interested in enrolling their child/children in the three year old programme for the following year (one interview instead of two)
• Our timeline will now be in line with several other Catholic schools, and will provide parents/guardians with the knowledge that their enrolments are secure.
• We will be advertising interviews widely. If you are aware of families interested in future enrolments please encourage them to get applications in soon. As always if there are any queries get them to contact us.

Edudance Concerts
Edudance has been a big winner with our students again this year and they would love to show you their dancing skills.
So if you could make it along the concerts will be as follows,
Wednesday 25th March - “A” Classes Concert at 2.15pm in the MCCC
Thursday 26th March - “B” Classes Concert at 2.15pm in the MCCC
Monday 30th March - “C” Classes Concert at 2.15pm in the MCCC

Mark Ryan
Assistant Principal

Parent Teacher Interviews K - 6

Interviews will take place on Wednesday 1st April commencing at 12.30pm.

Appointment lists for interviews will be placed outside each classroom at 8.30am on Wednesday 25th March. Please make sure that you write your name next to a time that suits you.
Students must be collected promptly at 12 noon on this day to allow teachers to have some lunch and prepare for the busy schedule to follow.
This is also the last day for students for Term One.

Mark Ryan
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CLASS REP EVENTS

SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2015 (Years 4 - 6)

Date – Monday 16th of March 2015
Venue – Warnbro Aqua Jetty,
Time – 9:45pm to 2:15pm.
• A list of events and approximate times is attached to this newsletter
• STUDENTS NEED TO BE AT SCHOOL AT 8:30am. BUSES WILL LEAVE AT 8:45am SHARP!
• Spectators are FREE. All students need a swim cap that can be purchased for $3.00
• Parents please join in the fun and support your team. Students would love to share lunch with you!
• All events have been pinned up in the undercover area. Please check it out and make sure your children have too. They need to know what races they are in.
• Please ensure children wear their sports uniform on top of their bathers and have warm clothing available.
• Children should have a towel or two, swimming cap, water, healthy snacks for lunch, sun screen and a hat.
• Important - Children should listen to the teachers in the bay carefully so they don’t miss their races.
• Parents please stay in the spectator area. No parents should be near the finishing line.
• The chief judge’s decision is final.
• The swimming carnival is a normal school day. No one should leave until after the presentations unless permission has been sought.
• If you are collecting your child please inform your child’s class teachers after the carnival.

Ryan Donnelly (HPE Specialist)

PHYS ED

P & F News

The P&F is holding an Easter Giving Day as well as an Easter Raffle on the last day of Term One, Wed 1st April (also 12 noon finish for Parent/Teacher interviews). We are looking for more help with receiving the Easter Giving Day items. If you can spare about 1/2 hour of your time, from 8.30am onwards, to be in the courtyard to help receive the items then please contact Joh Perez on johsergp@bigpond.com or 0419047796. The P&F always require extra help with events such as this but each event is separate so don’t feel as though helping out this time will mean extra pressure on you to always help out. All help would be greatly appreciated.

Kate Godwin-Johnston

Uniform Shop

Uniform shop will be closing at 12 noon on Wednesday 1st April (last day of term).

Ilonka Heinzle

Uniform Shop Coordinator

Class Rep Events

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- KD – Friday 20th March – 7.30pm Venue TBA, RSVP to your Rep by 19th March
- PPC – Saturday 28th March – 7pm Café Royal, Cockburn RSVP to your Rep by 24th March
- 1B – Wednesday 18th March – 7.15pm Dragon Palace Cockburn, RSVP to your Rep by 16th March
- 1C – Wednesday 18th March – 9am Surfing Lizard Café, Coogee, RSVP to your Class Reps
- 2A – Wednesday 25th March – 7.30pm Dragon Palace Cockburn, RSVP to your Rep by 23rd March
- 2C – Sunday 15th March – 3pm Glen Iris Country Club, Jandakot,
- 3A – Sunday 29th March – 1pm Salt on the Beach, North Fremantle, RSVP to your Rep by 27th March
- 3C – Thursday 26th March – 7pm The Quaire,
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Emmanuel Catholic College

Open Day

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